

OPERATIONS
SUSPENDEDBig Tie-Up in New York
Building Trades.

HUNDRED THOUSAND IDLE

Work is Practically Suspended On
Monster Subway and Italians Ex-
cavators Refuse to Arbitrate.

New York, May 12.—New York is still strike bound, the only clearing in the horizon being the announcement that the rival bodies of carpenters now warring on each other would join hands. The subway strikers do not take kindly to the idea of arbitration, and in the Brooklyn navy yard there is still a tie up on the battle ship Connecticut.

The day is witnessing a complete tie up of building interests estimated at about \$300,000,000. Between 75,000 and 100,000 men are out of employment, meaning a loss of daily wages in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The Brotherhood of Carpenters, which has been the aggressor all along, has decided to make application for membership in the United Board of Building Trades, of which the Amalgamated association is a member, and thus allow the united organization to bring about peace.

This action is to be taken, it is asserted, in order that labor may combine in the fight which is now being waged against the lockout of drivers and teamsters instituted by the Lumber Dealers' association and the Material Men's association.

As a result of this lockout, which is backed by state and national associations of both branches of industry, all building in the boroughs of the Bronx and Manhattan is at a standstill, and the declaration has been made that there will be no resumption of it until the employers win their fight against the unloading of the lumber and brick yards.

Engineers Start a War.

While peace appeared in one section, war has developed in another. At the time the carpenters announced that they might sign a peace protocol the Standard engineers started a new tie up. This was due to the strike of the iron workers on the new custom house, the Knickerbocker hotel at Forty-second street and Broadway, the new Belmont hotel, the power house at Fourteenth street and Avenue A, the Weehawken grain elevators and Busch's iron pier at Coney Island.

Contractors throughout the city declared that the action of the unions did not make the situation any worse, for all work would cease as soon as the present surplus of supplies was exhausted anyhow.

Members of the committee appointed by the Central Federated union to confer with the rapid transit subcontractors in behalf of the striking laborers have not yet given up hope of bringing their Italian brothers to an acceptance of the arbitration idea.

Vito Facelli, the leader of the Italians, however, said "the men will only go back when their demands for \$2 for eight hours' work is granted. They will stay out six months if necessary to gain that point."

It was admitted that with the exception of the Harlem river tunnel, where McMullen & McBean have a hundred nonunion men working, there will be absolutely nothing done on the rapid transit system for the present.

Wealthy uptown builders and dealers in building supplies, determined to keep things moving, have been guiding their own teams, loaded with building material, through the streets.

The New Cunard Line.

London, May 12.—Telegrams from Liverpool say the displacement of the new 25 knot Cunard line steamers will be 32,000 tons and that they will have 65,000 horse power.

State Sues For a Million.

Louisville, Ky., May 12.—Suit for \$1,000,000 taxes has been filed by the state of Kentucky against the Southern Pacific Railroad company.

Quarantine Laws.

The first quarantine laws heard of were in force at Constantinople about the year 540 A. D.

Lobsters' Eggs.

The eggs of the lobster are attached to her by minute appendages called swimmerets and are carried by her from the fall of the year until the following summer, when they are hatched out.

One Way of Making Vinegar.

You can make your own white wine vinegar by adding five gallons of rain water to ten pounds of mashed raisins and letting the mixture stand in a warm place for a month.

FOREST FIRES RAGING.

Big Territory Burned Over in Marshfield—
Forest Fighting Fire.

Montpelier, May 11.—Reports this evening from Marshfield indicate that the forest fires which started yesterday in the vicinity of Nigger Head Pond, are spreading and have already done a great deal of damage. More than 100 men and boys are fighting the fire tonight.

It has reached a 100 acre wood lot owned by Edwin Lane of this city and has already burned over a tract a mile wide and three miles long. The lot owned by Mr. Lane had never been cut over and was valued at \$100 an acre. Other sufferers are Mark Mears, Homer Carpenter and Chester Wood. No rain has fallen in that locality for six weeks and everything in the path of the fire with the exception of standing timber burns like tinder.

BLAZE AT PANTON.

Thomas Butler Dwelling House Destroyed
by Fire.

Vergennes, May 11.—The dwelling house of Thomas Butler in Panton, about two miles from this city, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. The house, three hay barns, hog house, ice house, 10 ton of hay, between 400 and 500 bushels of oats, about 250 bushels of potatoes, between 75 and 100 cords of stove wood, a new automatic feeder and the fences around the buildings were also burned. Eight hogs, four calves, one 3-year-old bull and some poultry perished. The flames were first discovered in the west end of the large barn and up to tonight no theory as to their origin had been advanced.

SCOTCHMEN CHEERED WILDLY.

British King and Queen Given Royal
Ovation This Morning.

Dalketh, Scotland, May 12.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra, who arrived yesterday, are being enthusiastically greeted by the Scotch populace. Twenty thousand gathered at the palace gates to greet their majesties this morning and when the royal couple appeared the usually phlegmatic Scotchman broke into wild cheers.

CLEVELAND CANNOT ANSWER.

Declines To Say Whether He Would Ac-
cept a Nomination.

Middlebush, Ohio, May 12.—A correspondent of the Cleveland Press yesterday asked Grover Cleveland if he would accept a presidential nomination if tendered. He replied, "I cannot answer that question at this time, I should only be inviting the censure of the people."

MALDEN MAN RELEASED.

Arrested on Suspicion of Having Murdered
Miss Sturtevant.

Malden, Mass., May 12.—Tommaso Lombardi, the Italian under arrest on suspicion of being connected with the murder of Miss Sturtevant of Medford last week, was discharged in district court this morning, the government having no evidence to show he was guilty of the crime.

R. H. STODDARD DEAD.

Passed Away Today After a Week's Ill-
ness.

New York, May 12.—Richard Henry Stoddard, the poet author, died today, after a week's illness of rheumatism of the heart, aged seventy-eight years.

WASHINGTON.

C. C. Cheney is at Verrill for a few days with his sister, Mrs. Margaret Spear.

Work is progressing rapidly on the parsonage and also on the barn of L. D. Tiltonson.

D. M. Flint is ill, the effect of a shock which he received Thursday morning, but he is reported as being on the gain.

Sheriff Al. Hutchins is reported as being in town Saturday night on official business with E. F. Brown and Carl Carpenter, who had been violating the statute in East Barre the afternoon previous. There was also one more who had not arrived at the time of Mr. Hutchins' visit here.

GRANITEVILLE.

Mardo McLeod will go to Chester, Mass., soon for a visit.

Mrs. M. J. McLeod, who has been quite sick, is now improving rapidly.

The Woodmen will give a May day ball in Miles' hall on the evening of May 15.

John McAulay is improving the property of John McKee by placing a fence about his yard.

Mrs. Norman McDonald, wife of the foreman at McDonald & Cutler's quarry, is recovering after a serious illness.

Rev. Mr. Shearer, who preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday, went to his home in Sherbrooke, P. Q., yesterday.

Bostonians to Go to Benier.

Boston, May 12.—The Union Boat club of this city is planning to send a fast eight oared crew to England next season to compete for the Henley Grand Challenge cup. It is purposed to get together a seasoned crew of college men whose standing shall be above reproach, and who will at the same time be on a party with the veteran Leander crews in point of experience and all that goes to make up such an eight.

West Pointers See the Pictures. -
New York, May 12.—The second class of West Point cadets, numbering 125 men, visited the Metropolitan Museum of art. The visiting cadets were accompanied by Professor G. W. Larned and Captains Hagdon, Hammond and Humphrey and Lieutenant Smithers.

Prindle & Averill have just received a large assignment of kerosene oil stoves.

SUPREME
COURT OPENSJudge Rowell Unable to
be Present.

ROGERS CASE THE FIRST

Decisions Announced at this Fore-
noon's Session of the
Court.

Montpelier, May 12.—The May term of Supreme Court opened this morning at ten o'clock with all the judges present with the exception of Chief Judge Rowell who is still too sick to take up the work.

The first case to be heard is that of In re Andrew Rogers, who was refused admittance to the house of correction by Supt. Morgan, Rogers having been sent to that institution for a second offence of intoxication.

FILES ITS ANSWER.

Electric Railroad Replies to Petition for
Writ of Mandamus.

The Barre and Montpelier Traction and Power company has filed its answer to the petition for a writ of mandamus asked by Mayor F. M. Corry and the city of Montpelier to compel the street railway to issue transfers.

The road claims that the transfers called for in the original franchise meant lines within the city limits, since that franchise gave certain boundaries where the Consolidated Lighting company should have the right to lay tracks.

There is a half mile intervening in the present line which was not included in the original franchise. The company was later given permission to lay its tracks in this stretch to the Berlin line. The present company secured its franchise from the Consolidated Lighting company. The case will be argued at the May term of supreme court.

The real question at issue is the right of the company to charge a 10 cent fare.

LITTLE GIRL BURNED.

Minnie Taylor of Rutland Sustains Fatal
Injuries.

Rutland, May 11.—Minnie, the 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. Henry Taylor, who lives on Billings farm on the Otter Creek road, was fatally burned early this morning while lighting a fire in the kitchen stove. The flesh all over her body was roasted to a crisp. She lived only a few hours. The girls' parents were away and she was trying to build a fire to get breakfast for her little brother. She had gathered a quantity of chips into her apron and was dumping them into the stove when her apron caught fire and she was immediately enveloped in flames. The child ran out of the house screaming and nobody was near. Two men happened along a little later and went to her assistance but it was too late to save the girl.

TRACTION COMPANY SUED.

Burlington Woman Brings Action Against
Montpelier Road.

Montpelier, May 11.—The Barre & Montpelier Power & Traction Co. was sued this afternoon in the sum of \$15,000 by Mary Randall of Burlington. Papers were served on H. K. Bush of Barre, clerk of the corporation.

The plaintiff alleges that October 11, 1902, she rode from Barre to Montpelier and had the car stopped that she might get off but while still on the platform of the car it started, throwing her to the pavement and injuring her. She alleges that already she has paid out \$500 for medical treatment as a result of the fall.

WEST TOPSHAM.

C. W. Bagley was in Bradford last week on business.

F. A. Church and wife were in Groton over Sunday.

H. M. Jackson is at home from Groton for the summer.

George H. Hight was in Montpelier last week on business.

Den Shurtleff of Barre was in town several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Blanchard of Brockton, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Blanchard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Thurston.

Mrs. C. J. Bowen is stopping at her home for a few days. Mrs. Bowen and daughter Vernie will spend the summer here after the first of June.

The scholars have increased so fast in the village that School Director G. W. Bagley has employed another teacher, Miss Ola Cunningham has charge of the lower school.

EAST BARRE.

The Linns' company played at the opera house last night to a very large audience which was well pleased. They also carry a dog show and have moving pictures and illustrated songs. They will play tonight and tomorrow night.

Prindle & Averill have just received a large assignment of kerosene oil stoves.

VICTORY
FOR GODDARDSeminary Boys Defeated
K. U. A.

SCORE WAS CLOSE, 8 TO 7

Game Full of Errors, and Heavy Hit-
ting With Some Good Plays
By Home Team.

Good hard work won the first game yesterday afternoon against Kimball Union Academy by a score of 8 to 7. Goddard did better work at bat and played with more life than has characterized her former games. Goddard found Buss, the K. U. A. pitcher, in the first inning and pounded out for five runs and their opponents scored once.

This inning gave Goddard a sure lead which she kept during the rest of the game, although the visitors kept gaining by one score each inning until the sixth when they batted Lewis out of the box and ran in three more scores making the standing 8 to 7, Goddard having added three runs since the first inning, one in second and two in the fourth.

It began to look as though Goddard was doomed again but Fraser was taken from first and put into the box and the visitors thought they had struck a cyclone. Fraser had not been in the box before but he showed up remarkably well and K. U. A. was not able to score again during the last three innings thus saving the game for Goddard who also did not score after the fourth inning.

Goddard's infield work was loose at times but the outfielders did especially good work. Butler went over the left field fence and captured the ball among the board piles and Pike at center field caught two high flies.

K. U. A. was weak in its infield work making several costly errors.

In the second inning Buchanan who was the first man up for Goddard landed the first ball pitched over the bank for a clean home run making the home team's only score in that inning.

Goddard shows much improvement since her first game and with the aid of Fraser in the box she stands a good chance to win more games.

K. U. A. plays Edmunds High school at Burlington today.

The score:

	P.O.	E.	A.	R.	B.	IB.
Berry, 2b.	1	1	4	5	2	1
Buchanan, c.	7	1	0	5	3	1
Murray, r. f.	1	0	2	5	0	2
Seaver, s. s.	4	4	2	4	0	2
Fraser, 1b. p.	6	2	0	5	1	1
Grant, 3b.	2	1	2	4	1	2
Butler, l. f.	2	0	0	4	1	1
Lewis, p.	0	0	1	4	0	0
Pike, c. f.	2	0	0	4	0	2
Smith, r. f.	2	0	0	0	0	0
	27	9	11	42	8	12

K. U. A.

P.O. E. A. R. B. IB.

Buss, p.	3	4	1	6	2	0
Hubbard, 1b.	6	1	2	5	1	1
P. Bates, s. s.	3	1	2	5	4	1
W. Bates, c. 2b.	4	2	2	5	0	1
Downing, r. f.	3	2	0	5	1	1
Willey, l. f.	3	1	0	5	0	1
Marsh, 3b.	2	0	2	5	0	0
Brown, c.	4	1	1	4	0	0
Tucker, c. f.	1	1	0	4	2	1
	27	13	10	33	7	7

Seminary—Earned runs 2, three base hits, P. Bates; first on ball, Lewis 2.

Fraser 1, Buss 1; first base on errors, Goddard 7. K. U. A., 8; two base hits, Hubbard, Grant; home runs, Buchanan; struck out by Buss 3, Lewis 3, Fraser 3; hits off Buss 7, Lewis 12, Fraser 0. Umpire Brown. Time 1 hr. 55 min.

Score by innings:

G. S.	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	8
K. U. A.	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	7

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Philadelphia Americans Won 11 Inning
Game From Chicago.

Yesterday's American League scores:
At Chicago—Philadelphia 4, Chicago 2, (11 innings.)

At St. Louis—St. Louis 2, Washington 0.

At Cleveland—Cleveland 6, Boston 5.

At Detroit—New York 3, Detroit 2.

American League Standing.

Won. Lost. Pct.

Chicago 11 6 .643 St. Louis 7 7 .500

Philadelphia 12 7 .630 Cleveland 6 8 .429

New York 9 8 .529 Detroit 7 10 .412

Boston 9 9 .500 Washington 5 11 .313

Yesterday's National League scores:

At Pittsburgh—Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 1.

At New York—New York 9, Brooklyn 1.

National League Standing.

Won. Lost. Pct.

New York 15 4 .786 Brooklyn 10 10 .500

Pittsburgh 13 8 .619 Cincinnati 10 11 .476

Boston 9 9 .500 Philadelphia 5 15 .250

College Scores.

At Burlington—U. V. M. 7, Tafts 0.

Work of Firemen Appreciated.

I desire through your paper to express my appreciation of the very efficient manner in which the firemen handled the fire at my place last week. I also wish to thank the neighbors and friends for the many courtesies extended me and mine.

E. M. Lyon.

Evening Drawing School.

The Evening Drawing school will start tonight, and we expect every scholar to be present, at Averill's hall, Main street.

MR. CURRIER EXPLAINS
PURCHASE OF CURBING

Street Commissioner Gives Same Facts
and Figures in Regard to
Same.

Mr. Editor: Will you allow me a little space for a few words on the paving question. I deem this advisable in view of the fact that both of the local dailies have made mention of this matter in a way which was more or less misleading, and also in view of the communication from Donald Smith, published in the Evening Telegram of May 8th, which leaves the subject in a worse mix up than ever, as it contains incorrect and misleading statements. If I remember correctly in all the newspaper discussion of this matter and in its discussion at a recent city meeting, I have been given full credit or discredit for the purchase of paving made by the city. The facts are, these purchases were made in accordance with the unanimous judgment of the whole board of street commissioners, after what we considered careful deliberation, and under good advice from those in whom we had confidence. I make this statement not to relieve myself from credit or discredit in the matter, but simply to let the public know I am not acting alone in this matter. Whether the street commissioners made a mistake or not when they purchased paving for \$34 per thousand on the cars at quarry will appear later. In regard to this communication I must take full responsibility, as the other two members of the board of street commissioners are not in the state at this writing. If I state anything but facts they will correct me.

About the middle of last March a man came into the office of the street department and introduced himself to me and said he was a paving cutter and that he and two of his friends had about 20,000 paving blocks which he should like to sell the city. He informed me that these 20,000 blocks were what they had made since last November when they had stopped working for Eagan and Morse who would not furnish them work in the winter. They were anxious to get their money out of the blocks. He said he had offered to sell the blocks to Eagan at \$32.50 per thousand which was to be the prevailing price this year, and that Eagan had refused to pay them that price. We asked him what he would sell the blocks to the city for and guarantee them all good blocks. He said \$35, that he could not afford to sell them to the city as cheap as to Eagan as he must lose time in coming down here to sell his blocks, to get his pay, to see them all loaded and to stand the shrinkage if there were any evils found in them.

About two weeks later the commissioners decided to make the purchase and I closed the trade at \$34, after spending one half day in going to the quarry. I know full well that we were paying Mr. Cameron \$30 on 20,000 paving blocks for the items above mentioned. We are still looking for any one who will furnish any man as good blocks at a less price or even at the same price. If \$1.50 on a thousand paving blocks is too much for what Mr. Cameron did why does not some one come forward who is willing to do it for less?

We advertised for bids on 80,000 paving. Two bids were received for them on the cars at quarry, both made on the basis of the same size block which we purchased from Mr. Cameron. They were Morse and Eagan \$33 and Mr. Grant \$38.90 one \$5 and the other \$4.90 more than the street commissioners paid Mr. Cameron. The other bid which we received was for a block from 7 1/2 to 9 deep land on the ground where it was to be used at \$50 per thousand. Morse and Eagan's bid for the same block was \$40 at quarry.

I hardly know why the Albany price of paving was drawn into this discussion, except that both Mr. Eagan and Donald Smith told me that the price in Albany was to be \$65 per thousand this year, and that the price here would be figured on that basis. Using Mr. Smith's date what would paving cost at Albany? Cost loaded at quarry \$32.50 plus freight to Barre city \$8.90, plus freight from Barre city to Albany \$15, or \$57.10 if sold at \$65 in Albany, the jobbers' profit is \$7.90 per thousand; the same jobbers want, as is shown by their bid, \$6.50 profit for it loaded on the cars at the quarry. These same men have told me they were not in business for their health, which I believe to be true.

Why do we bring the paving from the hill now and dump it on the meadow? Simply because we believe it advisable to have a small supply in the city to keep the pavers busy in case of a delay in getting cars from the hill after the work is commenced. These paving we expect will cost on the street as follows: loaded on cars, \$34, freight \$6.90, unloading \$5.00 trucking \$2.50, total \$48.40.

Now just a word in regard to the generosity of E. L. Smith & Co., a company composed of two of our shrewdest, brightest and most highly esteemed business men, men of means and with all, mighty good fellows.

What is it this Co. will give the city free? Is it free paving? Not quite that! Will they furnish it to the city at \$32.50 per M., the same price they are selling it to Morse and Eagan? No! But they will give the city the privilege of carrying away a portion of the grout heap free. Is this grout under a derrier? No! Is it by the side of the R. R. track? No! Will they sharpen tools for the city? No! Will they let the city put paving cutters on the quarry on the same conditions that Morse and Eagan have? No! Why not?

Because they don't want to! How do I know all this? Because Donald Smith has told me so within ten days. If this company wants to be generous to the city and without losing a dollar why don't it do what it told Abram Mann it would do only a short time since, i. e. Furnish all the paving it wants and as it wants it at \$32 per thousand blocks. You are good business men but I do not see, just now, how the city can take any of your grout heap as a donation. Most quarrymen pay a little to have grout removed.

Mr. Currier did not tell any one that the city would not purchase from middle men. What he did say was in answer to this statement that the middle men would want from \$5 to \$10 for their services and that he did not think the city would pay a middle man any more for their paving than it would any one else. Now if it is wrong for the city to purchase paving di-

PROBING THE
MYSTERYInquest Shows Tilden
House Fire Incendiary.

MEN SEEN RUNNING AWAY

One Was Tall and Dressed in Black,
Other Was Shorter—Both Ran
Into Bolster Avenue.

An inquest into the cause of the fire which damaged the Tilden property on North Main street Sunday morning was started this morning in the office of John W. Gordon and was not finished at three o'clock this afternoon. The testimony heard this forenoon proved beyond doubt that the fire was of an incendiary origin, and an effort is now being made to place the responsibility. The evidence tendered to implicate two men who were seen running away from the place, one a tall man dressed in black clothing and the other a shorter individual.

The inquest is being heard before Grand Juror Scott and is being conducted by City Attorney John W. Gordon. The testimony is being taken down verbatim and will be turned over to the county clerk for use by the prosecuting officer in case the evidence warrants arrests.

Those who were sworn this forenoon were J. F. Rowe and D. E. Foster, the latter of whom rang in the alarm, John L. Kelley, the driver of the milk team, who saw the men running, H. C. Whitaker, an early arrival at the scene of the fire, Chief of Police Patrick Brown and Fireman W. D. McDonald.

The last two testified as to the fact that traces of fire were to be seen in three different rooms, with no evidence of the flames having been communicated from one to the other, being in the front room, the library and the rear part. Whether fire was set in more than one place in the rear they were unable to state as the rear part was so badly burned. Each testified that in his opinion the fire was set. Fireman McDonald stated that the front door was locked and the door leading from the hall into the parlor, where one blaze was located, was closed when he got there.

The most important testimony of the forenoon was that of the milkman, Kelley, who said he was on Bolster Avenue about half past four when two men ran past him from Main street. He did not take particular notice of them but thought their actions peculiar. When he drove onto Main street he saw the smoke issuing from the Tilden house. That was before the fire alarm rang.

J. A. Lucas was the first man on the stand this afternoon.

DENIES STATEMENTS, IN TOTO.